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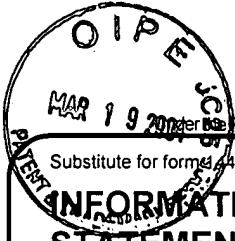
1. U.S. Patent no. 4,517,605 discloses an image signal processing apparatus for improved tonal rendition and resolving power by utilizing a dither matrix.
2. Cook, CC., "Color Digital Halftoning Using Multi-Cluster Halftone Dots" from the Raster Imaging and Digital Typography Proceedings of the International Conference, Cambridge, GB, 1991, pages 120-126, 126A, 127, XP000866055, Section 2: "Multi-cluster halftone dots" discloses a method of color digital halftoning using multi-cluster halftone dots.

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